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## Sale of Northern Railways Approved by Alberta Legislature

*Staff Correspondence*

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## Parliament Maintains Ban on Titles

*By L. H. JELLIFF, M.P.*

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## Official News from the Alberta Wheat Pool

*First Interim Payment—The New Wheat Pool Bill*

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## Annual Meeting of Southern Alberta Dairy Pool

## SUN LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY OF CANADA

# A TOWER OF STRENGTH

**1928**

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|---|---|
| Assurances in force (net) - - - - - | $1,895,915,000 |
| An Increase of $408,925,000 | |
| New Assurances Paid for - - - - - | 441,244,000 |
| An Increase of $112,836,000 | |
| Total Income - - - - - - | 144,747,000 |
| An Increase of $11,872,000 | |
| Surplus earned during the Year - - - | 10,264,000 |
| Payments to Policyholders and Beneficiaries - - | 49,920,000 |
| Surplus and Contingency Reserve - - - | 66,938,000 |
| An Increase of $9,157,000 | |
| Total Liabilities - - - - - - | 422,020,000 |
| (Including Paid up Capital) | |
| Assets, at December 31st, 1928 - - - | 488,958,000 |
| An Increase of $37,652,000 | |
| Rate of Interest earned on mean invested assets (net) - - | 6.58% |

*DIVIDENDS TO POLICYHOLDERS INCREASED FOR NINTH SUCCESSIVE YEAR*

*The Company has also inaugurated the practice of paying a special maturity dividend on participating policies, ten or more years in force, terminating by death or maturity.*

### EXTRACTS FROM DIRECTORS' REPORT

. . . After deducting amounts re-assured, the total assurances in force now amount to $1,895,915,934.57, an increase of $408,925,254.48. Policies in force number 633,240, and in addition 156,293 certificates of assurance are held by employees of corporations and firms under the group plan.

While every field of operation contributed its full share to these impressive advances, the rapid development of our business in Great Britain and the United States is especially noteworthy. The generous reception of our Company in countries served by powerful domestic institutions is particularly gratifying, as testifying to widespread appreciation of our record and services.

. . . The amount paid to policyholders since organization, together with the amount at present held for their security or benefit, exceeds the total amount received from them in premiums by $111,170,229.10.

The strength and resources of the Company have been still further enhanced.

The net rate of interest earned on the mean invested assets, after making provision for investment expenses, has risen to 6.58 per cent. Dividend increases, bonuses and stock privileges, accruing on many of the Company's holdings, contributed substantially to this gratifying result.

A net profit of $11,028,834.59 has been realized from the redemption or sale of securities which had risen to high premiums.

The securities listed in the assets have been valued at figures substantially below the values placed on them by the Government. This under-valuation of our securities represents an important safeguard against possible adverse market fluctuations, additional to the reserves specifically provided against that contingency.

We are again able to report that on the bonds and preferred stocks listed in the assets, not one dollar, due either as interest or as dividend, is in arrear for a single day, while the dividends accruing to common stocks exceed by several million dollars those payable on the same stocks at the time of purchase.

The surplus earned during the year, based on the values given in the accounts, amounted to $10,264,088.52.

$10,000,000 has been deducted from the already heavily marked-down value of securities, as additional provision against possible fluctuations, increasing the amount so set aside to $20,000,000.

The special amount set aside as a liability to provide for unforeseen contingencies has been maintained at $12,500,000.

$15,822,339.65 has been paid or allotted as profits to policyholders during the year.

After making all deductions and allocations, $9,157,909.34 has been added to the undivided surplus, bringing the total over liabilities, contingency accounts, and capital stock, to $34,438,862.48.

The continued prosperity of the Company enables your Directors to announce, for the ninth successive year, a substantial increase in the scale of profits to be distributed to participating policyholders during the ensuing year.

In addition, your Directors have inaugurated the principle of granting a Special Dividend on participating policies maturing after having been in force ten years or longer. This new bonus will enable policyholders or beneficiaries whose withdrawal is occasioned by the maturity of policy contracts, to participate in the accumulated surplus which it has not as yet been considered prudent to divide.

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# EDITORIAL

## CAMPAIGN FUNDS

Evidence was given last week before the Royal Commission which is inquiring into certain matters arising out of the Seven Sisters deal in Manitoba, to the effect that the Winnipeg Electric Company had made contributions to the campaign funds of the three major political parties at the time of the Provincial general election of 1927. The evidence was given by J. R. Coyne, K.C., a director of the company, and by Lawrence Palk, assistant to the president. According to the newspaper summary, Mr. Palk, who was a very reluctant witness, admitted under pressure that "the money had not been put through the regular books, but had been kept in another account to avoid misunderstanding on the part of subordinates as to the purpose behind the payments." The witness added, by way of explanation, that "there would have been talk if the fund became common knowledge."

Of course, there is nothing very remarkable about these revelations. Contributions have always been made by powerful industrial and financial interests to the funds of political parties from whose legislation or administrative acts they hope to benefit. That is a normal procedure under the party system. That is why, though Canada has the forms of democracy, it has little democracy in fact. Unlike the rank and file of the political parties who line up at election times in support of this political party or that, the olympians who provide most of the party funds are non-partizan. They do not share the popular romantic illusions; they are realists. Within very recent memory it was stated before another Royal Commission that contributions had been made to the funds of both old parties in the field of Federal politics, by the great Canadian distilleries.

There are, in fact, only two ways in which political activities can be financed. They can be financed after the manner of the old and new political parties, by large contributions from small groups of interests who naturally expect to share in determining the policies of the parties they assist, or they can be financed by the people themselves, organized in order to make their citizenship effective in such groups as the United Farmers of Alberta and the Labor bodies. There can be no third course. The provision by the people themselves of the funds for the carrying on of their own political activities, and control by the people's own organizations of all political machinery, are the only means by which democracy can be made a reality.

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## NO HOPE ON THE OLD BASIS

The formation of a new political party can provide no remedy for the defects and abuses of the old, if it be built upon the old basis. Recognition of this fact led the Alberta farmers to decide, when they entered the field of active politics, that they would not attempt to create a new political party. To have done so would have been to court inevitable failure. A different method was therefore followed. This method, and the consequences of its adoption, were described by President Wood in his address before the Annual Convention of the U.F.A. this year.

"The U.F.A. Locals are the machinery through which our movement functions democratically," he stated. "*Without this machinery it could not so function, and all the progress we have made politically would at once become nullified.*

"It is not an accident that the Alberta Government has such a wide and favorable reputation for sane business and efficiency. The members of the Government have nothing to do but take care of the business of the Province, while you *operate the political machinery*, and elect them for that purpose. You operate the machinery with the greatest possible efficiency, and the least pos-

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# NEWS OF THE ORGANIZATION

**Activities of U.F.A. Locals and District Associations and Information from Central Office—Notes on Co-operation**

### NEAR SPIRIT RIVER

I. V. Macklin organized recently the new "Blueberry and Whitburn" Local near Spirit River. Thos. Paulson and E. G. Tomlinson are the officers.

### NEW MEMBERS JOIN

Nine new members joined the Duchess U.F.A. Local at a recent meeting, says the *Brooks Bulletin*. The matter of grading and improving roads received discussion, the Local being unanimously in favor of grading several side roads, and filling numerous bad places in present grades.

### SUCCESSFUL TURKEY DINNER

"Had a very successful turkey dinner on January 18th," states a report from J. C. Dawson, secretary of Olds U.F.A. Local, "at which Mr. Speakman and officials of the Wheat Pool spoke. Although a very cold night, over eight turned out."

### BENEFIT FOR BALZAC FARMER

For the benefit of a farmer who had lost his barn and cows and horses and tools in a serious fire, farmers and farm women in the Balzac district organized a whist drive, dance and box social, which was held on Wednesday, February 20th, and proved a great success.

### HALL IS GREAT HELP

"The U.F.A. and U.F.W.A. Hall in the village is a great help in the social and educational line," writes G. R. Meadows, secretary of Tees U.F.A. Local. "It is 36 feet by 80, and was paid for inside of 13 months." A. D. Brawner is president of this Local for 1929.

### SEED OATS FOR MEMBERS

Arrangements for the purchase of from seven to ten thousand bushels of seed oats have been made by Falcar U.F.A. Local, to meet the needs of their members. The terms provide for the vendor to supply Peace River oats, germinating 90 per cent or better according to Government test.

### KIRKPATRICK PLANS DRIVE

At the annual meeting of Kirkpatrick U.F.A. Local Geo. L. King, Miss Olive Johnston and John Monkhouse were elected officers for the year 1929, the latter pro tem. It was arranged to start a membership drive, with Geo. L. King and M. C. Robson as captains, says a report in the *Youngstown Phoenixdealer*.

### IN ACTION AGAIN

Clivale U. F. A. Local is in action again and members are coming in fast, reports E. H. Walton, secretary. "The new president is D. A. Crvak. A celebration was given to members and visitors consisting of a smoker card party, supper, and a real dance. Director J. E. Model gave a very interesting address."

### HARVEST VALE LOCAL

Carl Axelson was organizer of Harvest Vale Local near Redcliff, states a report from R. S. Gardner, secretary. R. N. Ross is president. It was originally intended to call the Local "Redcliff" but as all the members live in the Tilley East area, it was thought advisable to make the change, says Mr. Gardner.

### CONVENTION TRIP WORTH WHILE

Fairarres U.F.A. Local has been having some good debates with other Locals in the district, reports D. Warwick, secretary. "We had a good meeting on February 15th, discussing municipal affairs. The secretary had his first trip to the U.F.A. Convention this year, and was greatly impressed with the way it is carried on. It is a trip well worth while."

### "FASHION PARADE" AT WHITE

On February 20th White U.F.A. Local entertained the ladies of the U.F.W.A. Local with a musical program and bean supper. "The ladies were asked to come in their old clothes, as the waiters were rather inexperienced," writes J. T. Hadlington, secretary. "More old-fashioned than old were some of the costumes, which ranged from crinolines to bonnets and shawls, creating much fun and amusement. J. J. Tillie and M. Luco were judges of a 'fashion parade' first and second honors going to Mrs. George Hadlington and Miss Molly Coupland respectively. Each of these ladies was presented with a handsome bouquet of affable."

### COUNTRY vs. CITY LIFE

The main event of the evening, at the last meeting of Burnside U.F.A. Local, states a report from H. L. Hehn, was a debate, "Resolved that country life is superior to city life." The affirmative was led by Mr. Jenkins, the negative by Mr. Bruce. This proved to be very interesting, writes Mr. Hehn, particularly as several members of the Local were called upon to support one side or the other. The decision was in favor of the affirmative side. The report of the Annual Convention was given by J. W. Brown, and the chairman also called upon Mr. Walsh to speak on this subject. L. Hehn gave a brief report of the Trustees' convention, dealing mainly with the new proposed rural school act.

### DISCUSS POWER FARMING

Power farming was the chief subject of discussion at a recent meeting of the High River U.F.A. Local, presided over by W. B. Lind, according to the *High River Times*. T. Christoffersen expressed the opinion that two small tractors took the place of 35 horses in farm operation. Irwin Sleeman thought that best results would be obtained by the use of both tractors and horses. Harry Fine, as well as Mr. Christoffersen, held the view that the combine was as yet in the experimental stages. Alex. Fraser and David Morrison also spoke in favor of power farming, on the ground that it speeded up work. Wm. Robertson presented a strong case for the horse, marshalling figures to prove that there was much to be said for the reliability and efficiency of horsepower.

### VALLEY SPRING PROGRESS

At the regular meeting of Valley Spring U. F. A. Local, held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Waite on February 14th, Wm. Cromley, A. Routledge and J. A. Waite were elected president, vice-president and secretary respectively. Five directors and a recreation committee were also elected. The auditor's report presented by W. C. Comely, showed the Local to be in a very prosperous condition. Three cars of coal were handled during the past year. $92 was raised from three sacred concerts given by the U.F.A. and U.F.W.A. choir, of which sum $60 was sent to the Edmonton Junior Red Cross. The choir is commencing practices at once, with the intention of giving further concerts. It was decided to hold a series of social evenings. At the close of the business meeting, a joint meeting with the U.F.W.A. was held, when Mrs. J. A. Waite, U.F.W.A. delegate to the Annual Convention, gave a very able report, after which the ladies served lunch to over forty present.

## Meetings Announced for Acadia

**Directors for U.F.A. and U.F.W.A. Will Visit Many Locals**

Hanna, Alta.

To Officers and Members of Locals mentioned below, in Federal Constituency of Acadia:

Mrs. Mary Banner, U.F.W.A. Director, and J. K. Sutherland, U.F.A. Director, for Acadia, will address meetings at the following points:

Carolside, Mon., Mar. 4.
Pollockville, Tues., Mar. 5.
Galarneauville, Wed., Mar. 6., 8 p.m.
Hutton, Thurs., Mar. 7th, 8 p.m.
Cessford, Friday, Mar. 8th, 8 p.m.
Mowie, St. Julien Local, Sat., Mar. 9th, 8 p.m.
Cabin Lake, Mon., Mar. 11th, 8 p.m.
Pigstone, Tues., Mar. 12th, 8 p.m.
Magpiene, Wed., Mar. 13th, 8 p.m.
Crocus Plains, Thurs., Mar. 14, 8 p.m.
Keystone, Friday, Mar. 15th, 8 p.m.
Colholme, Sat., Mar. 16th, 8 p.m.
Clemens, Mon., Mar. 18th, 8 p.m.
Langford, Tues., Mar. 19th, 8 p.m.
Helmsdale, Wed., Mar. 20th, 8 p.m.
Golden Valley, Thurs., Mar. 21st, 8 p.m.
Good Cheer, Fri., Mar. 22nd, 8 p.m.
South View, Sat., Mar. 23rd, 8 p.m.
Vandyne, Monday, Mar. 25th, 8 p.m.
Acadia Valley, Tues., Mar. 26th, 8 p.m.
Glevannah, Wed., Mar. 27th, 8 p.m.
Bonny Brier, Thurs., Mar. 28th, 1:30 p.m.
Progress, Fri., Mar. 29th, 2 p.m.
Stanmore, Sat., Mar. 30th, 1:30 p.m.
Pichdale, Sat., Mar. 30th, 8 p.m.
Model, Mon., April 1, hour not set.

As Mrs. Banner will take this long trip to all the above Locals, with the possible exception of Model Local, will as many as possible of the womenfolk turn out to meet her? If at any point the regular officers of the Local are absent, will someone else interested kindly see that the meeting is properly advertised and that arrangements are made for the meeting?

Sometimes a large crowd can be ac-

sured if an entertainment or dance follows the meeting. We shall expect each Local to drive us on to the next meeting place, as on a long trip of this kind it will be impossible for us to take our own rig. Also accommodation for the night will be necessary.

Trusting we shall have a successful series of meetings,

Yours fraternally,
J. K. SUTHERLAND,
U.F.A. Director, Acadia.

## Magrath Completes Membership Drive

**Membership Raised to 147**

Magrath has just completed another successful membership drive; the north side of town and district competing against the south. The south side lost out by about 20 members, and as a result had to put up a dance and supper which went over in splendid style Friday evening, February 22nd. A splendid program was also given, much to the pleasure of all present.

The Local have planned some interesting debates to be included in their future programs, in order to stimulate further interest in the meetings; they have also appointed a number of committees which will function the same as a board of trade in helping to put over those things necessary for the advancement of the town and district.

The Magrath Local can now boast a membership of one hundred and forty-seven (147), the second largest in its history, and we believe it is enough to still maintain the Garden City's Local as the largest in the Province. We have set a mark for sister Locals. Now shoot.

E. FINGREE TANNER, Sec.-Treas.

### AT ALSTON LOCAL

"A very pleasant social evening was spent at the regular meeting of the Alston U.F.A. on Tuesday, February 12th. All business was tabled until the next meeting except the report of the recent U.F.A. convention, given by W. M. Isaacson, for which he was given a very hearty vote of thanks. Refreshments arranged for by Mr. and Mrs. Louis Miller were enjoyed by all, bringing to a close a very successful social gathering."—*Champion Chronicle.*

### DEBATE CAPITAL PUNISHMENT

"A large crowd gathered in the U.F.A. Hall Friday afternoon to hear the reports of the delegates to the Convention. Mrs. Modie gave a good report of the U.F.A. Convention while Miss Greta Isaac gave a fine lengthy report of the U.F.W.A. sessions. Unfortunately A. Robinson failed to arrive in time to give his report and it was decided to have this at a future meeting. The meeting adjourned about five o'clock to convene at 8 sharp at which time a larger crowd gathered to hear a debate on the subject 'Resolved that Capital Punishment should be abolished.' Harrison Holmes and Irving Gould presented the arguments for the affirmative with Harvey Kelts and Thomas Galloway on the negative. The debate was one sided, the figures being affirmative 68; neg. 34, Mrs. Stockman, Mr. Steed and Mr. Murray being the judges. Following the debate Rev. Mr. Brown entertained the assembly for an hour or more with a large number of lantern slides depicting scenes of the ancient buildings and monuments in the valley of the Nile."—*Consort Enterprise.*

# Membership Campaign Makes Progress in Many Parts of Province

**Secretaries and Other Canvassers Are Requested to See That All Authorization Forms Are Correctly and Fully Filled In**

Progress in the U.F.A. membership campaign is reported from many parts of the Province, and large numbers of authorization forms on the Pools, are being received at Central Office.

Local secretaries and others who are obtaining signatures to the authorization forms are requested to see that all forms are properly filled in.

Please note that THE WHOLE OF THE WHITE SHEET SHOULD BE SENT IN TO CENTRAL OFFICE, UNDETACHED. The lower portion will be detached at the perforated line at Central Office, but the whole sheet should be mailed by the canvasser for membership intact.

The U.F.A. or U.F.W.A. Local secretary, or whoever may be engaged in canvassing SHOULD RETAIN THE YELLOW SHEET, WHICH SHOULD BE TURNED IN TO THE LOCAL CONCERNED. Thus every Local will have in its possession a duplicate of the form sent to Central Office.

Please note also that all of the information asked for should be filled in. On the upper portion of the sheet, where the amounts whose deduction is authorized are given under six headings, it is important to STRIKE OUT ANY ITEMS WHICH DO NOT APPLY TO THE INDIVIDUAL CONCERNED. For instance, there is first an item of $2 for U.F.A. membership fee, and second another item of $2 for U.F.W.A. membership fee. In the case of a member of the U.F.A., the second item should be struck out, and in the case of a member of the U.F.W.A., the first item (relating to the U.F.A.) should be struck out. Similarly with the other items.

The square in the upper right hand corner of the lower half of the sheet, where the total amount to be paid is to be shown, SHOULD BE FILLED IN IN EVERY CASE BEFORE THE FORM IS SENT IN TO CENTRAL OFFICE. Signatures must be witnessed, and the name of the Pool to which the authorization is to be forwarded should be filled in in every case.

# U.F.A. Convention Urges Free Medical Attention for Ex-Soldiers

**Unanimously Petition Dominion Government to Grant Measure of Justice to Returned Men—"Veterans' Section" of U.F.A. Formed**

On the last day of the Annual Convention of the U.F.A., after there had been a very thorough discussion of ex-soldiers' problems by members of the "Veteran's Section of the U.F.A." at meetings during the week, the following resolution, which originated in the Wetaskiwin Federal Constituency Association, was submitted to the Convention on motion of Mr. Draper and Mr. Fearnehough, and adopted unanimously:

**Whereas, it is generally recognized by medical men that soldiers who have suffered the hardships of active service are more susceptible to numerous ailments and diseases by reason of such service;**

**Therefore be it resolved, that we petition the Dominion Government to enact legislation granting free medical attention and hospital treatment to all men who served in the Canadian forces overseas during the Great War.**

In moving the adoption of the resolution, Mr. Draper declared that in view of the large and increasing number of cases among ex-soldiers who served in the Great War, of serious need for medical attention, the time was opportune to press for this measure of justice and fair dealing. He cited cases which had come under his notice in which the need was very great. At the time of demobilization examinations had often been perfunctory, and men who previous to their war experience had enjoyed excellent health, and in whom no very serious consequences were apparent at the time of their discharge, were breaking down in health prematurely. The evidence was supported by so many instances, that there could be no question of the facts.

### Penalty of Service

The inevitable penalty of service, somewhat deferred, was being paid. To-day, money was being spent in cenotaphs, which were monuments to the "colossal stupidity" of the so-called civilized nations which had engaged in the folly of war. It was entirely fitting that money should be provided to look after the medical needs of men whose health had suffered in consequence of the war. The only plan which would ensure that no injustice should be done, was provided by

the resolution—free medical attention and hospital treatment for ALL who served.

Mr. Fearnehough spoke briefly, supporting the case presented by Mr. Draper.

### Memories Grow Dim

"Ten years have passed since the close of the war, and in that time memories grow dim," said Alfred Speakman, M.P., who as U.F.A. member on the House of Commons committee on returned soldiers' problems had been requested to speak on the resolution.

"I can endorse one hundred per cent what was said by the mover of this resolution," declared Mr. Speakman. Many people thought that the "peak" was over, so far as cases requiring medical attention were concerned. This was far from being the case. The peak had not yet been reached. Men who were discharged A1, who had been keen to get out of the army at the close of the war, and consequently made every effort to get through the medical examination quickly, were finding that their health had suffered seriously as the result of war service. There were men who needed attention who had carried on "to the last ditch" before they would report for examination, with a view to getting medical assistance.

"So long as one of the men who served is in penury, in want or suffering, so long Canada's debt to them has not been paid; the proposal contained in this resolution is entirely practicable, and should be carried out," Mr. Speakman concluded.

### "Veterans' Section" of the U.F.A.

During the week of the Convention the ex-soldiers among the delegates and visitors arranged a luncheon which was very largely attended—more than twice as many being present as on the occasion of a similar gathering held in 1928, at the time of the previous Convention. The luncheon was attended by most of the U.F.A. members of the House of Commons, and was presided over by Col. Robinson, who for many years has taken a most active part in the discussion of returned soldiers' affairs, at successive Conventions, and through whom the initial steps were taken in the organization of the "Veteran's Section," last year, has written a brief letter on the objects and aims of the Section, which we publish on this page. We plan to provide whatever space may be necessary from time to time to deal with the affairs of the "Veterans' Section." As a preliminary we invite all who wish to have their names included as members of this section, including those who attended the meetings in Edmonton in January, to send in their names for record. A list was obtained at the luncheon, but as this was incomplete, we request ALL returned soldier members of the U.F.A. who participated in the proceedings, as well as others who did not attend the Convention, to send in their names at the first opportunity.—*Editor.*

## Correspondence

### AIMS OF VETERANS' SECTION

Editor, *The U.F.A.*:

At the request of my comrades of the Veterans' Section of the U.F.A., I am going to give you, for the benefit of all comrade members of the U.F.A. who were unable to attend the Annual Convention, a short account of the history and aims of the Veterans' Section. I have interviewed the U.F.A. Executive and they are thoroughly in accord and have the fullest sympathy with the aims of this Section.

For a number of years we have had meetings at the Annual Convention for the purpose of scrutinizing and supporting resolutions coming forward in the usual channels, and have on a number of occasions evolved resolutions of real value. It was moved and passed in one of our meetings that we call ourselves the "Veterans' Section in the U.F.A." and in a few words I want to give you what we have in our minds:

First, let us try and get all our comrades who are eligible into our U.F.A. and as many as possible to attend the Annual Convention. We can then arrange a session of ourselves and deal entirely with the problems that confront us as Veterans. The U.F.A. as an organization is in sympathy with our aims and has on every occasion, in times past, given us their support, and when we have a legitimate grievance to redress, our Federal and Provincial members will champion our cause. We find, as a result of our meetings, that some of our comrades can give us concrete cases of real grievances, and where our members are present we can receive the evidence and arrange the case so that it can be presented in a proper form before the department who can deal with it.

Our *U.F.A.* Editor has promised to help us in arranging space whenever possible, so that any comrade can bring any grievance he may have to our attention.

I have the honor to be,

Yours fraternally,

C. W. ROBINSON.

Calgary.

### RE S.S.B. LAPSES

Editor, *The U.F.A.*:

I should like to draw the attention through the columns of our organization paper of the Federal U.F.A. members and of any returned soldier farmers, to what appears to me a gross unfairness in the drawing up of the Soldiers' Settlement Act. Here it is: When any returned man applies to the Settlement Board for the purchase of any land he is required to prove his aptitude for a farming life, and his power to pay 10 per cent of the purchase price up to a maximum of $500 deposit. So far so good, but if the applicant happens to have a pre-war-civilian homestead he has to give that as collateral in addition.

The question arises: Why are the authorities satisfied with a plain one-tenth down in the case of non-pre-war farmers and not so with pre-1914 homesteaders? Surely, if experience counts for anything, the old-time homesteaders should be the more desirable settlers under this re-establishment scheme, and should be accepted with a lesser deposit of bona fides.

Those S.S.B. officials to whom I have put this same question escape answering it by affirming that their work is administration only; they have not to trouble to defend or question any objection that may arise to the constitution of the Act.

Yours truly,

THOMAS M. ROWE,
Late C.M.G.C.

Nakamun, Alta.

### THE U.F.A. CONVENTION

Editor, *The U.F.A.*:

In the forest, one crooked, gnarled tree will draw more attention than all of its straight, stately companions. One active volcano will draw more attention than one hundred stately, majestic mountains, and sometimes the dust and gases belched forth will obscure the view. One spouting geyser will arrest more attention than four score clear, placid pools. In any large organization of men there is sure to be that lunatic fringe, and in the U.F.A. we always have the insurgents.

But the U.F.W.A. is quite different. Why? The history of this sad old world shows that man is destructive, and woman is constructive. That brave men go forth to destroy life, and that braver women work at home to preserve life. There has been scarcely any evidence of insurgency, or undue personal ambition in the U.F.W.A., for the highest ambition of the members, like the members of other women's organizations, is to promote the rights, interests, privileges, welfare and happiness of others, and their greatest pride is in the attainment of that object. The women devote much attention to those matters of such vast importance, education, temperance and health. May their efforts be crowned with further success.

Altogether, the Convention was highly satisfactory, in both sections.

Respectfully,

JOHN GALLOWAY.

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### PUBLIC OWNERSHIP

Editor, *The U.F.A.*:

I wish to place on record my cordial thanks for the illuminating and interesting information that has appeared recently in *The U.F.A.* in connection with the above most important subject.

A debt of gratitude is due to the able contributors of the opposing views, and to the compiler for the manner in which the data has been arranged in opposition.

There is always the danger in journals devoted to some particular cause, political or otherwise, that all opposition may be severely censored, or subdued, the convincing point of an article expunged, or at any rate, an effort made by devastating editorial comment, to neutralize conviction.

Undoubtedly the presentation of these pro and con arguments will enable any fair-minded, reasonable man, whether he be farmer or not, to form an independent opinion, so that when the time comes for him to exert his influence in connection with at least one aspect of public policy, he may not be wholly at the mercy of any prejudiced publicist.

GEORGE CRANE.

Westlock, Alta.

### WHEAT POOL BILL PASSES SECOND READING

The Wheat Pool Bill passed second reading in the Alberta Legislature on February 25th, after a motion by A. A. McGillivray, to give this measure a six months' hoist, and thereby kill it, had been defeated. The only votes against second reading were those of Mr. McGillivray and two of his followers, John Irwin, of Calgary, and C. Y. Weaver, of Edmonton. Details of the debate will be given in our next issue.

## GRAIN BOARD AT ROWLEY

Editor, *The U.F.A.*:

The writer was much interested in listening to the hearing by the Board of Grain Commissioners of the case Thomson Bros., of Rowley, vs. Home Grain Co., which hearing was held at Rowley on January the 22nd, 1929. It was unfortunate for everyone present except Mr. A. A. McGillivray, counsel for the Grain Company, that the hearing could not be concluded at Rowley owing to the limited time between trains, there being a large crowd of interested listeners including a number of ladies, from Rumsey, Rowley and Morrin. In addition to the three members of the Grain Commission, Chairman Boyd, Messrs. Snow and Robinson, the Secretary to the Commissioners, their Special Counsel and Stenographer, Mr. Porter representing Thomson Bros. and Mr. McGillivray representing the Home Grain Co. Mr. R. McPherson was an interested listener on behalf of the Pool, as was also Mr. E. J. Garland, M.P.

It is clear to the writer's mind, after subsequent perusal of the Canada Grain Act as to points raised at this hearing, that the Board have authority to pass judgment in this case and have their finding put into effect, because this is a clear breach of the Canada Grain Act in (a) refusal of the Home Grain Co. to deliver the car of wheat in question on track as requested; (b) refusal of the company to issue special Bin Storage tickets as required by the Canada Grain Act. This dispute is not between the Home Grain Co. and the Alberta Wheat Pool, but between Thomson Bros., farmers, and the Home Grain Co. The fact that Thomson Bros. had a car ready for loading the wheat and a permit to ship to Vancouver, and also tendered payment of local elevator charges, makes it clear the Home Grain Co. had no grounds for refusing to deliver the grain as requested.

It appears very clear to the writer, from observations at this hearing and dissatisfaction expressed that there is considerable truth in Mr. Garland's statements at the U.F.A. Convention at Edmonton recently referring to the lack of confidence of the farmers in the present Board.

The farmers are determined to have their rights under the Canada Grain Act, including the Campbell Amendment and other amendments if necessary, referring to special bins and shipping to their desired terminal and it appears to the writer quite within the powers of the organized farmers to bring sufficient pressure to bear which will demand the removal of the present board of Grain Commissioners if necessary.

A. J. RUSSELL.

Rowley, Alta.

## EDITORIAL

(Continued from page 3)

sible expense, and you demand of your elected members that they administer the affairs of the Province likewise.

**"We have no reason to believe that a farmers' party that had to build, finance, and operate its own machinery, and fight its way to power, would be any more efficient and economical in administering the business of the Province than any other Government. What has been saved to the people of Alberta by the breaking down of wrong political machinery can never be accurately estimated, but it should be clear to every thinking man and woman in the Province that we cannot afford to take a chance by reverting to the old system."**

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### A SOUND RULE OF PUBLIC SERVICE

Rules and conventions laid down by Mr. Asquith, at the time of the Marconi scandal, are quoted by the *Manitoba Free Press* apropos the action of members of the Bracken Cabinet who bought stock in an electrical power enterprise at a time when the Cabinet was engaged in negotiations with the company concerned. These rules, to quote Mr. Asquith, are:

**"Ministers ought not to enter into any transactions whereby their private pecuniary interests might, even conceivably, come into conflict with their public duty. . . . No Minister ought to allow or to put himself into a position to be tempted to use his official influence in a matter in regard to which he has an undisclosed private interest."**

These are sound rules, which should be observed rigorously. They should apply, of course, not only to Ministers, but to all public servants, Deputies and others in positions of high responsibility. Any breach of the rules, if discovered should bring instant dismissal. In the case of one or more of the members of the Manitoba Government the purchase of stock may quite well have been innocent. But if so, it was inexcusable folly.

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### PUBLIC OWNERSHIP THE MAJOR ISSUE

Wherever private power corporations are allowed to establish themselves, they become important factors in the political life of the communities in which they operate. The nature and extent of the influence they exercise in the United States was recently made clear by evidence presented to the Federal Trade Commission at Washington. The manner in which they have sought to ingratiate themselves with the three major political parties of Manitoba, has been attested within the past few days by witnesses before the Royal Commission in Manitoba. The merits or demerits of the Seven Sisters power deal from an economic standpoint are of relative unimportance as compared with the wider issue which has now been raised. As the *Toronto Globe* observed recently:

**"All that can fairly be said at this stage of the proceedings is that wherever there are power rights to be grabbed, the big interests will be there to grab them. With priceless assets at stake it is difficult to eliminate attempts at bribery and corruption. In the United States the Insull interests have swallowed up power privilege after power privilege, leaving behind them a revolting trail—a trail fully described in an official investigation by the United States Senate. There are even more juicy plums to be picked in Canada. There is even greater need to forestall the possibility of scandals here."**

That is one reason, the most urgent reason, the conclusive reason, why Alberta should make certain in the initial stages of development, that the ownership of electrical power resources of this Province and the distribution system shall not be left to private corporations. It is the reason why this issue transcends in importance every other public issue in Alberta today. It is the reason why the representatives of the organized farmers should be thoroughly conversant with every aspect of the problem, and should throw their full weight into the scale in favor of public ownership.

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### THE TRACKWAYS BILL

("Observer" in *Alberta Farmer*)

Advocates of that privately owned concrete highway to Banff and elsewhere will again attempt to get the Alberta Legislature to sanction organization of their company and place a seal of approval upon their proposed right of way and plan of operation. The matter was up at the last session and no favorable decision was reached. Personally I am hoping that no favorable decision will be reached this session, either. We have already a very fair government gravelled highway between Calgary and Banff. As yet this highway is not overcrowded, or would not be if it were properly policed. There is no doubt but that it does not lend itself to speeds of sixty to one hundred miles an hour with safety either to speeding drivers or those unfortunate enough to be on the road while the speeding is going on. However, there is no reasonable excuse for such fast driving on a public highway. Such speeds with automobiles should be confined to racing track performances. Even if the private highway were to come into existence, in self defence its proprietors would be compelled to establish speed limits for it and police it to enforce them. The average automobile owner doesn't want to speed unnecessarily nor will he willingly travel a road upon which speeding is permitted. Our existing Banff highway serves all reasonable travel needs of the present. It is a government owned highway, which in my judgment all through highways in the country should be. When the time comes for it to be improved or duplicated owing to increase in traffic, the work should be undertaken by the Government. Never should we go back to the ancient and discredited toll road system.

# Policy of U.F.A. in Tariff Matters Clearly Defined by Annual Convention

**Principle of World Free Trade Endorsed—General Policy of Substantial Tariff Reduction Policy in Direction**

Reaffirming by unanimous vote the tariff policy which has always been supported by the United Farmers of Alberta, the Annual Convention of the U.F.A., after discussion in which many delegates participated, adopted the following resolution:

**Whereas the farmers of Alberta have to sell their produce in a world market and at the export price;**

**And whereas their purchases are made in a restricted and protected market;**

**Therefore be it resolved, that this Convention go on record in favor of the principle of world free trade and in the meantime support the general policy of substantial reductions in the tariff.**

The subject was first raised in a resolution from Camrose Federal Constituency Association as follows:

**Whereas, the U.F.A. has always opposed high tariffs and urged reductions, and**

**Whereas, this declared attitude on the part of the U.F.A. has been taken advantage of by the Government especially in regard to the Australian treaty whose reductions were made on farm products as part of this treaty, which resulted in raising the price of raisins to the entire community, assisted our protected manufacturers to obtain Australian markets at the expense of Agriculture;**

**Therefore be it resolved, that we go on record as being opposed to this juggling with the tariff, which give appearance of reductions but which in reality means free trade in farm products and higher tariffs on manufactured articles, and**

**Be it further resolved, that this Association go on record as opposing any such reductions of tariff on a class basis; that if farm produce is to go on the free list, manufactured articles must be made free also, otherwise agriculture will have been penalized for its free trade principles, while its burden of taxation will have been increased.**

In moving the adoption of this resolution H. McKenzie said that today both old political parties followed similar policies in tariff matters.

Carl Axelson remarked that no matter what the farmers might do to try to take advantage of the tariff for the benefit of their own industry, they could never do so as long as political power remained in the hands of plutocratic groups, who, even if they appeared to concede something to the farmers with one hand, would take it away with the other. The farmers could not profit, therefore, by going after tariff concessions.

Mr. Miller, of Floral, spoke at some length on the present situation as between the United States and Canada, and in favor of imperial free trade.

**Federal Chairman Asks for Guidance**

Robert Gardiner, M.P., declared, in reference to the Camrose proposal, "If you pass this resolution, as a Federal member I do not know how I should interpret it. I should like a lead to be given by this Convention. We should like to know what you want us to do. This resolution may be interpreted in three or four different ways."

Mr. Gardiner added that there seemed to be a prevailing idea that the farmers could benefit from the tariff. No student of economics could justify that position since in general the primary products had to be sold on the basis of world competition. He wished to know whether the position stated a thousand times from U.F.A. platforms was to be upheld. Was a "milk and water" policy to be followed in future in tariff matters, on the basis of resolutions which might be variously interpreted according to circumstances? As a servant of the U.F.A. movement, he asked for specific directions.

On motion of C. Axelson, the Camrose resolution was then sent back for redrafting.

**Beet Sugar Resolution and Tariff**

A rather complicated situation arose while the committee engaged in redrafting was at work, as the next resolution, from Bow River Federal Constituency, asked reconsideration of the resolution passed a year ago, on the subject of the beet sugar industry, urging the Dominion Government "to adopt such measures to encourage and stabilize this industry as shall be alike beneficial to the growers of sugar beets, the manufacturers of the refined product therefrom, and the consumers of sugar in the Dominion of Canada." This resolution, the Bow River Convention had declared, seemed to be "a demand for tariff protection," in opposition to U.F.A. principles and policy as expressed from time to time.

Discussion brought forth an amendment by H. W. Leonard, to the effect that the beet sugar resolution "is not to be considered as a demand for protective tariff or a bonus higher than exists on sugar today." He could not understand what the industry wanted, under the terms of this vague resolution, unless it was tariff protection.

Ernest Bennion, explaining at some length the position of the industry, said the industry had not asked for increased tariff or for a bonus, that over a year ago in the Lethbridge Convention a proposal to ask for a bonus was defeated, but that another was passed which did not mention the word "tariff." Something like stability of conditions was desired, and these were affected by tariff changes.

After further discussion of beet sugar the resolution was laid on the table, pending consideration of the resolution on the tariff as redrafted, the resolution, that is, which is quoted at the beginning of this report.

**Leonard Moves Free Trade Resolution**

The free trade resolution was moved by Mr. Leonard, who said it was unnecessary for him to repeat what the U.F.A. had been saying for the past twenty years. Mr. MacFarquhar remarked that the question of the tariff and free trade was not fundamental to the solution of our problems, and it was time that it was recognized that without credit reform, no solution could be found.

Mr. Axelson: "I can't understand why, as farmers, we cannot go on record in favor of free trade. We believe in international co-operation. You cannot base an international commonwealth on any other principle than freedom."

Following adoption of this resolution, discussion on the beet sugar resolution was resumed. Mr. Priestley stated that in passing this resolution, no thought of undermining the principles of the U.F.A. had been entertained. He gave some account of the situation faced by the industry at Raymond.

Mr. Garland did not wish to advocate nor oppose the resolution, but to bring before the delegates some facts. Sugar had been selling wholesale, in Montreal recently, at $6.25 per cwt., less 5 per cent; if there were no tariff, however, the wholesaler would have to pay only $3.75 or $4, so that because of the tariff consumers were paying about $1.89 per cwt. additional. As a result of the existing tariff, the consuming public of Canada were paying for a necessity of life an amount equal to the entire annual wage bill of the sugar beet industry, and $800,000 more.

Mr. Johanson pointed out that when the Knight sugar company was operating, sugar was cheaper in Alberta than in Saskatchewan or British Columbia, and when that concern closed down, Alberta lost its advantage. When the plant reopened, sugar was again cheaper here.

Mr. Bennion said he was agreeable to Mr. Leonard's amendment. Mr. McCuaig, of Irricana, declared that the beet sugar produced in the southern factory was undoubtedly of good quality. Carl Antonson declared opposition to any resolution which might appear to favor a tariff, as even the amendment might do, although it asked that the tariff should not be "higher."

**Speakman Gives Views**

"We must be consistent enough not to try to travel both ways at the same time," declared Alfred Speakman, M.P. It seemed as though some people were in favor of tariff reduction "except in the cases of beets, butter, eggs—everything except farm products in general." He supported a demand, previously made by Mr. Garland, for an exact definition of the meaning of the word "encourage" as used in the resolution. Mr. Speakman said he was opposed only to "dumping," that is to say, the selling of a product by a foreign competitor at below cost, for the purpose of putting an enterprise out of business.

The amendment was then voted on and lost.

Mr. Bennion was given the privilege of speaking for the purpose of defining the word "encourage,". He described the difficulties confronting an industry, in the profits of which 600 producers shared, due to efforts, which were felt to be deliberate, to destroy it by certain foreign vested interests which sought to establish a monopoly.

On the vote being taken, the resolution was lost by a large majority.

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## EDMONTON SPRING SHOW

Entries for the Edmonton Spring Show close on March 22nd, and for the Bull Sale on March 6th. The Show will be held April 9th to 13th, and there is a prize list of $13,780, with many special added prizes.

# Some Features of the Early Days of the Session at Ottawa

**Debate on Address Prove Relief—Home Rule Proposed to Reconsider Canada's Ban on Titles—Parliament and Bank Mergers**

By L. H. JELLIFF, M.P.

A series of articles dealing with affairs in the Ottawa Parliament will be contributed to this periodical by U.F.A. members of the House of Commons during the session. The first, by the member for Lethbridge, is printed on this page. The next, by D. M. Kennedy, U.F.A. member for Peace River, will appear on March 15th.

Mr. Jelliff's article follows:

The third session of the sixteenth Parliament of Canada opened with the usual interesting and attractive ceremonies on the 7th of February.

The speech from the throne was read by His Excellency, the Governor-General, in the Senate Chamber, before a large and brilliant assembly, representative of the official and social life of the country and the capital, augmented by representatives from foreign states, which have established embassies here for the promotion of international intercourse and trade relationships. The speech was notable for its simplicity and brevity. No attempt at the grandiose was displayed therein. It consisted of a very modest and plain recital of the results of the various activities of the country during the year in commercial, industrial and agricultural lines, which were described as reflecting "unprecedented prosperity" with which "deep satisfaction" was expressed, and forecast a few items of legislation to be brought forward by the Government at this session. No definite policy was announced along financial or fiscal lines. There was no reference to the public debt or any proposed action as regards the tariff or the income tax.

There was accordingly little occasion either directly or indirectly for discussion as to the policy of the Government upon matters hitherto regarded as of major importance.

### Sudden Conclusion

It is not surprising, therefore, that after the usual complimentary speeches, made by the newly elected members, J. M. Cayley, M.P. for South Oxford, and C. E. Perland, M.P. of Joliette, moving and seconding a motion for an address to His Excellency, the Governor General, in reply to the speech from the throne, followed by speeches from the leader of the opposition, the Honorable R. B. Bennett; the Prime Minister, the Right Honorable W. L. Mackenzie King, and Mr. Gardiner, M.P., the debate came to a sudden conclusion, and the motion was adopted without amendment.

As a matter of fact, there was a distinct feeling of relief apparent among the members of the House that they were not to be afflicted with the lengthy discussions, valuable though they may be, which have characterized these proceedings for several years past, and that they were free to give attention to the concrete legislation proposed for the session.

There is the further fact that abundant opportunity will be afforded in the discussions on the budget. Much of the matter which is generally contributed in the debates on the speech from the throne is repeated in discussing the budget, and by eliminating these at the initial stage, such repetition is avoided with great saving of the time of the House.

### Proven Upon Titles Resolution

In the few days during which the House has been in session, rapid progress has been made. Among the resolutions brought forward, there were several which evoked interesting discussions. One by Mr. C. H. Cahan, Member for St. Lawrence-St. George, asked the appointment of a special committee to investigate and report upon the advisability of qualifying or amending or rescinding the address to His Majesty, the King, adopted by the House in 1919, requesting that His Majesty refrain thereafter from conferring any title of honor or titular distinction upon any of his subjects domiciled or usually resident in Canada. It was alleged by Mr. Cahan that since the address of 1919, honors and distinctions had been conferred upon British subjects resident in Canada by foreign powers, which the British Sovereign was barred by virtue of this address from conferring, and that there were certain services at least which deserve and might properly receive recognition by the Crown. The resolution was vigorously debated, but evidently the proposal did not at all suit the temper of the House, and it was finally rejected by a vote of 114 to 60.

### Bank Mergers

Another interesting and important debate took place on the motion for second reading of a bill introduced by T. L. Church, of Toronto, North-East, to amend the Bank Act. The purport of the bill was that the consent of Parliament should be obtained before any agreement for bank mergers should be approved. At the present time, the Governor-in-Council, through the Minister of Finance, must give consent to such agreements.

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The case of the merger of the Standard Bank with the Canadian Bank of Commerce was made the subject of special comment in the discussion of this motion, as well as many mergers which preceded it. The Minister of Finance, Mr. Robb, took advantage of the opportunity to state his reasons for sanctioning the recent merger, urging that such action on his part was induced primarily by the necessity of protecting the interests of depositors. He contended that the requiring of the consent of Parliament to proposed mergers would involve publicity and delay which would prove disastrous.

### Is There Inherent Weakness?

While the House was not disposed to question the wisdom of the Minister in the action taken by him as regards the Standard Bank case, yet the discussion far from dissipated the apprehension due to so many mergers having taken place in recent years, materially reducing the number of Canadian banks and increasing the power and credit control of the few which have survived these processes. As to the ultimate result there is a natural anxiety as to where and when this will end, and its effect on the progress and development of the industrial, commercial and agricultural interests of the country. The question naturally arises as to whether there is an inherent weakness in our banking system which has caused the retirement of so large a number of line banks, and which is capable of correction by appropriate measures, or whether these amalgamations are the result of a natural evolution, or of other influences which can and should be fully investigated.

To some minds, it is suggested that the retiring banks may not have been so much in a position of inability to continue, as that they were being subjected to pressure or to inducements from larger institutions, who were ambitious for a rapid and unnatural growth, and employed this method of accentuating their own progress.

The debate failed to bring out constructive suggestions as to the remedy for this situation. Regardless of the vote of the House, which was adverse to the adoption of this bill, the subject is one of vital interest to the country, and will, doubtless, come before the House in other forms in the near future, and be placed before the Banking Committee for a thorough study.

There are other matters of interest which have come up since the House opened, but in order not to transgress upon the space allowed for correspondence of this nature, I shall leave them to some of my colleagues for future comment.

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The Porcupine gold area in the District of Cochrane, Northern Ontario, occupies first rank among the gold producing areas in Canada.

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At the next World's Poultry Congress to be held at the Crystal Palace, London, England, in July, 1930, it is anticipated that Canada will exhibit about 1,000 live birds. In addition the Dominion will have an educational exhibit.

# News from Alberta Wheat Pool Head Office

Information for Members and Locals Issued by the Publicity Department of the Alberta Wheat Pool.

## *Alberta Wheat Pool Act, 1929*

**To Provide Legal Machinery to Enable Pool to Operate as Intended by Members**

"The Alberta Wheat Pool Act 1929" was introduced into the Legislative Assembly of the Province on February 25th. The purpose of this act is to provide adequate legal machinery in order that the Wheat Pool may operate in the manner intended by its members. The provisions of the bill contain the requirements of the Pool as ascertained after five years of operation.

The first Wheat Pool Act was drawn up in anticipation of what the Pool's requirements would be. At that time the founders were without experience in the business of operating a Wheat Pool and the legal talent they secured were in the same boat. There never had been a Wheat Pool operated before in Canada. There was no precedent for a guide. So a great deal of prospective requirements had to be guessed at, and actual experience has demonstrated that changes are necessary. Hence this new act.

The first portion of the bill deals with the powers of the organization as a company and contains many sections clarifying the Pool's power. Section 5 is of interest in that it provides that any person that has signed a marketing agreement which the Pool has accepted may now become a member of the Pool. At present no one can become a member of the Pool unless grain is produced by or for him.

### Voting Powers

Voting powers of members are dealt with in several subsequent sections. The feature of these provisions is that they are designed to keep the voting powers vested in those who are from time to time actually delivering their wheat to the Pool to the end that the delegates who run the business of the Pool will represent the people whose business the Pool is then handling.

The right to recall any delegate is made clear. Power is also given to refer any matter to the vote of the members.

Section 22 says that all Pool members' grain "shall be sold in the manner provided by his contract notwithstanding that the member may have given security on the grain or that it has been seized under any process of law by a creditor of the member."

Sections 23, 24, 25 and 26 are new. These sections are designed to set at rest doubts which have been raised as to whether the deduction and investment of elevator reserve has been in technical compliance with the wording of the contract which has been alleged to have been confusing.

The most important section in the bill is section 27. This section is designed to give a flexibility to the Pool's operation which the strict letter of the contract now prevents. It is not new in theory, but is the rule that ordinarily applies to the activity of any company, namely, that of majority rule. The section reads as follows:

### Delegates' Responsibility

"The delegates may, at a meeting of which notice has been given specifying the nature of the business to be considered, ratify and validate any acts, resolutions, payments, distribution of monies among members and any other matters heretofore or hereafter done or dealt with by the delegates, Directors, agents or employees of the Pool or Alberta Pool Elevators, Limited, notwithstanding that such acts, resolutions, payments, distribution of monies and other matters are at variance, contrary to, or inconsistent with the provisions of any marketing or other agreement entered into between a member and the Pool, and such ratification and validation shall be binding on each member or past member of the Pool, and all acts, resolutions, payments, distribution of monies and other matters so ratified and validated shall be deemed to have been as lawfully and validly done as if the same had been expressly authorized by such agreement."

This section enables the Pool to carry out activities for the benefit of its members notwithstanding that these things may not be in accordance with the strict letter of the contract although they may be designed to effect the main purpose of that contract, namely, to handle members' grain in the way that will bring the best return to the member for his grain. No such departure can, however, be made unless the delegates elected by the members approve of that departure.

Express provision is contained saving the rights of Harold William Keay from the operation of section 27. If Mr. Keay has the rights which he asserted in an action brought by him against the Pool, then this section will not prevent him from obtaining the remedies for his claims to which he is by law entitled.

### Arbitration Provided

Section 29 provides that disputes between a member and the Pool must be settled by arbitration. A proviso to this section reserves to the Pool the right to bring action against a member under his marketing contract. This right is reserved to the Pool in order to enable it to exercise the remedy given to it in the contract for the purpose of putting it in a position to compel delivery of members' grain by short speedy process. The section is not new as it was contained in the original bylaws of the Pool which were ratified by the Legislature.

Section 30 provides that "No action or other proceedings respecting any matter shall be brought against the Pool by any person who is or has been a member of the corporation unless it is commenced within two months after the date of any meeting of the delegates at which the act or omission in question has been ratified."

Section 32 provides that the Directors of the Pool may lay down the conditions in and under which a member may assign the proceeds of the sale of his crop and states that until such provisions are laid down by the Directors no assignment shall be binding on the Pool unless it is delivered to the office of the Pool accompanied by the member's delivery checking coupons.

This bill was submitted to the Wheat Pool delegates, 69 of the 70 being present. It was discussed clause by clause and was adopted unanimously.

## *Lucid Explanation of Need for New Wheat Pool Bill*

**Member for Claresholm Moves Second Reading in Alberta Legislature — Aim Is That Members "Shall Be Able to Conduct Own Business in Own Way"**

G. E. Walker, M.L.A., for Claresholm, moved the second reading of "The Alberta Wheat Pool Bill 1929" in the Legislature on Monday, February 25th. Mr. Walker summarized the necessity for the bill in a brief address, which is as follows:

In moving the second reading of this bill it will be my purpose to endeavor as best I can to show just why the Legislature is being asked at this time to consider this new Bill relating to the Wheat Pool.

I hope to point out that in the light of five years of operation of the organization commonly known as the Alberta Wheat Pool, certain weaknesses with respect to the technical structure of the organization have developed. The aim of the Bill now before the house for consideration is to set out in certain and very definite terms legislation allowing this group of farmers, organized on co-operative lines, to transact their own business in their own way. In other words, that there shall be no doubt whatsoever as to the intent and purpose of this group of 60,000 members who are banded together to market their grain to the ultimate advantage of each individual comprising that co-operative group.

It would most certainly have been expecting a great deal that this organization should have been constituted in every detail in a manner which foresaw every condition that could possibly arise in connection with its operation through the years to come. Particularly is this the case when we consider:

FIRST: That this was a new venture. No exactly similar organization existed as a pattern for the incorporation.

SECOND: The very nature of the business being undertaken necessitated its being carried on under exceedingly variable and unstable conditions from year to year. The uncertainty surrounding grain production and grain marketing in this or any country is only too well known to the members of this house.

### Amazing Efficiency

When we consider the organization that had to be brought into existence to successfully handle 277,816,841 bushels

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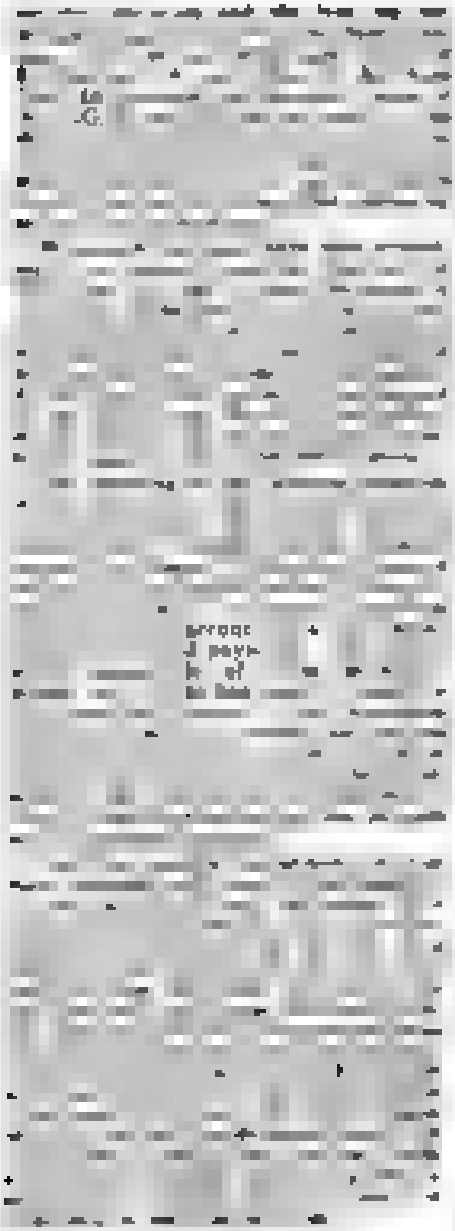
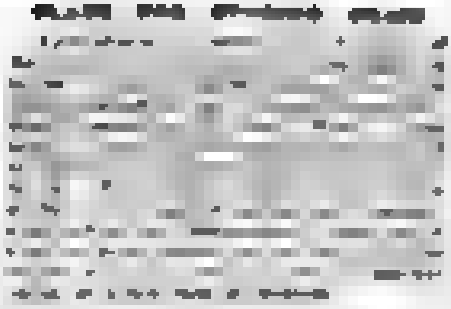
# The Selling Policy of the Canadian Wheat Pool How the Farmer Benefits





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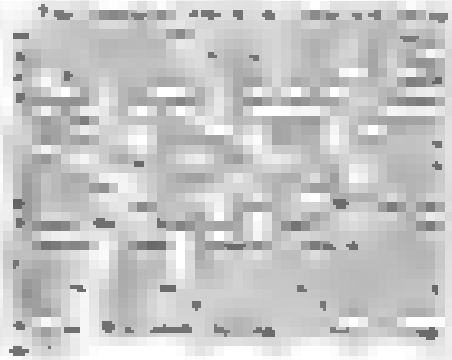

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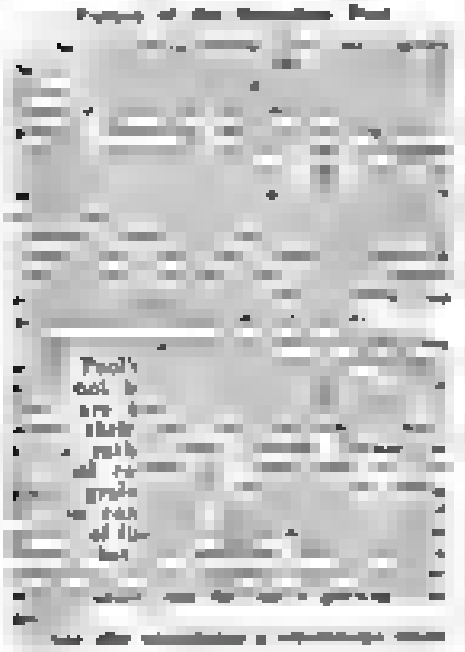

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# Legislature Approves Sale of the Northern Railways After Full Debate Without Division

## Bill for Sale of the Northern Railways Moved in Assembly

MONDAY'S MEETING

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## MINISTER OF RAILWAYS

## Dominion Is Asked to Bear Part of Cost of Highways Building

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# Weed Problem Is Discussed by Assembly Committee on Agriculture

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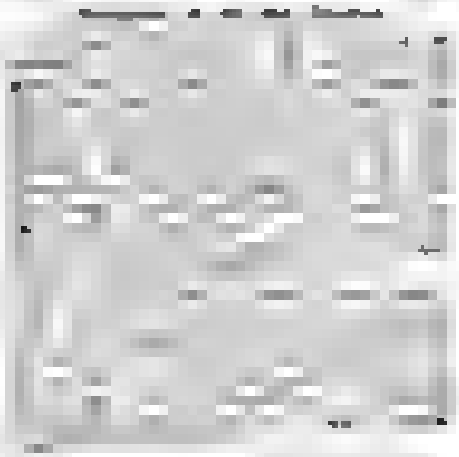

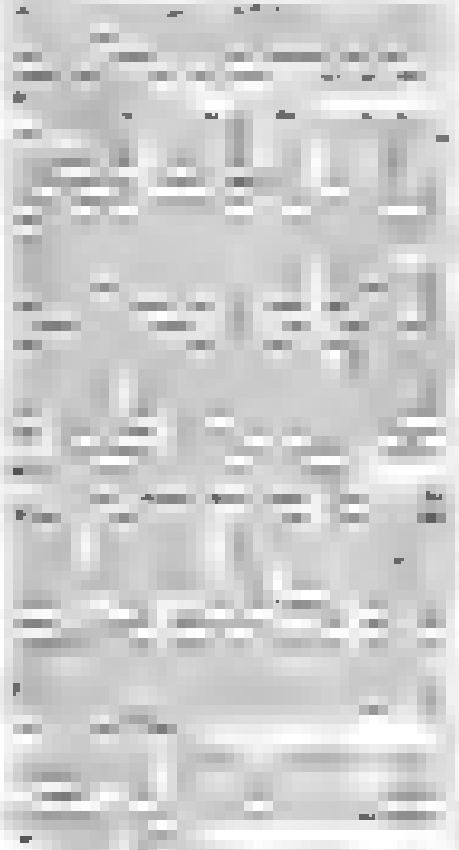

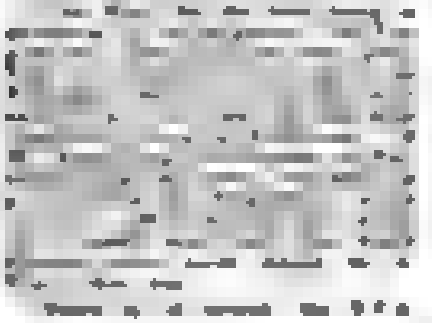

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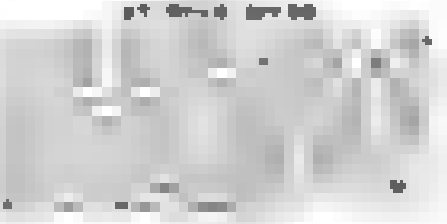

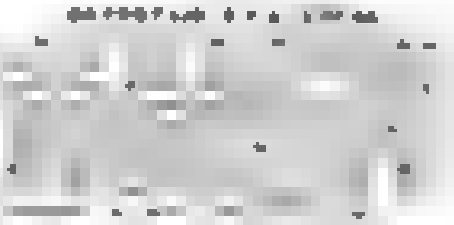

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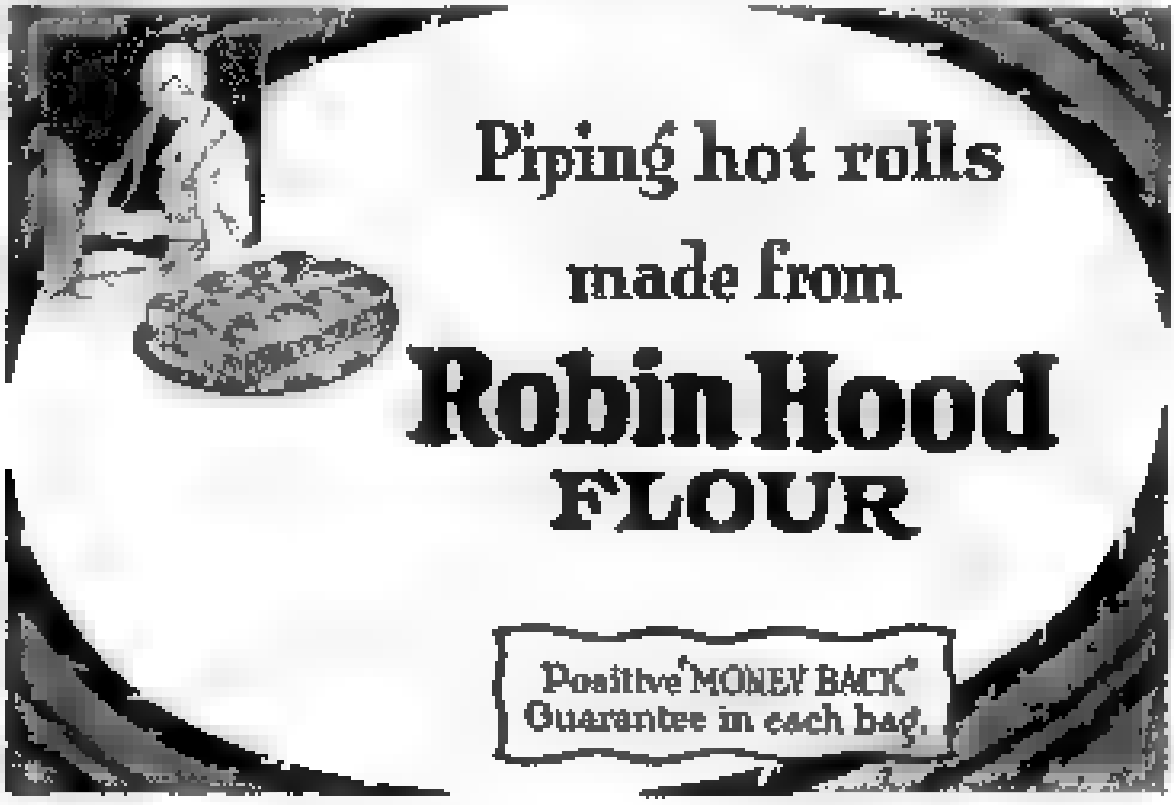

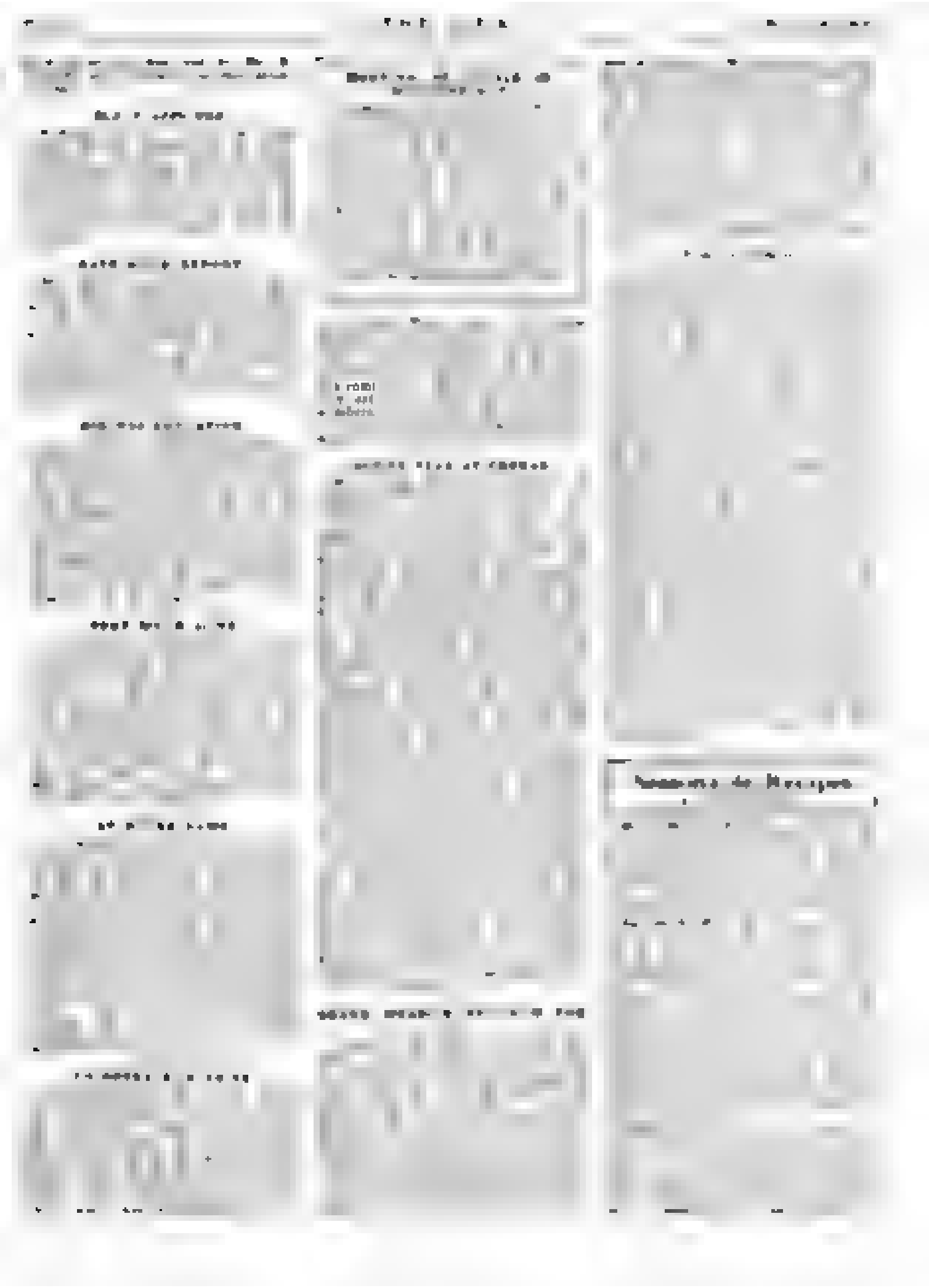

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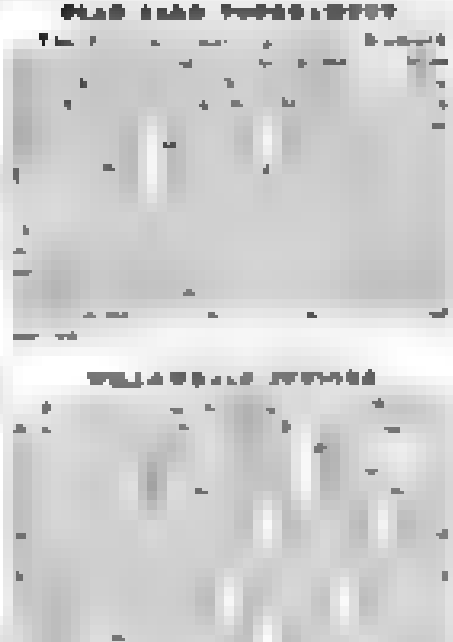

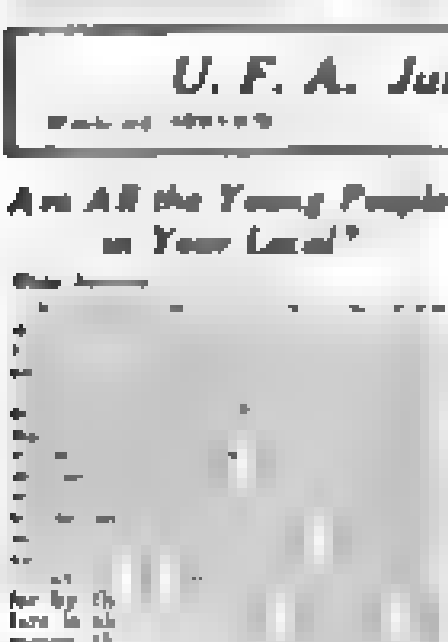

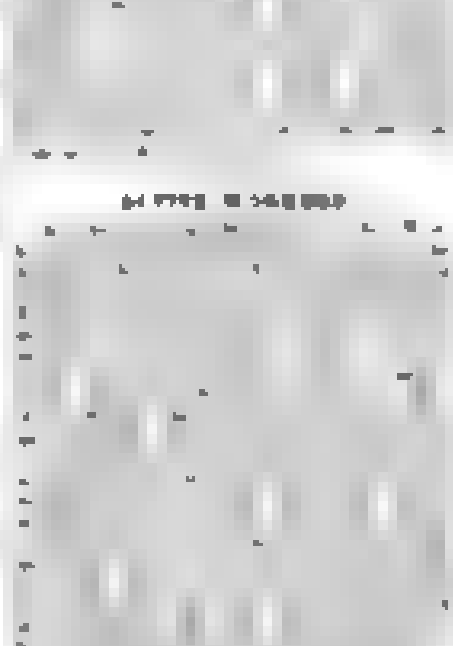

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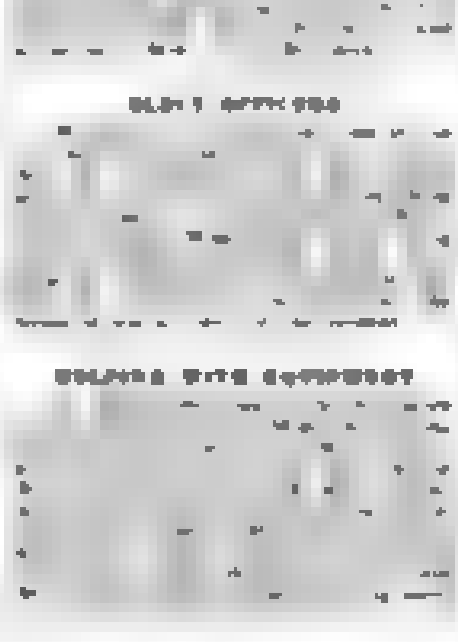

tainment committee was also chosen and the Committee immediately began to plan for a Valentine Social to be held February 8th.

A new Junior Local was recently organized eight miles south of Alix with a membership of eighteen, ages ranging from 12 years to 20. The president is Arthur Hunter and the secretary Ellie Hicks.

## WHY THE COLLIE IS HEATLESS

(By JOSEPHINE K. KING in Nature Magazine)

The collie or Scotch sheepdog, one of the oldest breeds in existence, is probably the fountain head from which all shepherd dogs have sprung. The name comes from the Anglo-Saxon word meaning black, referring to the black-faced sheep of the Scottish highlands, and so the collie farm, valley, mountain sheep. Almost as far back as records go the sheepdog has been the constant companion of the shepherd and his flock. Khiva, Wales and France all have been sheepdogs, developed differently to adapt to the climate, the type of land and the breeds of sheep herded. But the work of all was the same: the guarding sheep and shepherd both and out of the carryover of their responsibility came a specially ready equipment in the world of dogs.

The work of the collie gave him the manner and disposition that he has today. He is restless for long periods and he was always on the move, rounding up the bunch and bringing back into the fold those that strayed too far. For this reason he does not sit down for a day. And he goes round as if the pull of heredity holds him always to a task. When he fights he does not hold that he merely nips here and there as if the point had worth him that small animals are weaker than he, hence despite mild characteristics he has real courage. He is a staunch protector when need shows, and he fights furiously when once aroused.

He is big and powerful, and his profiles strongly set dishes which put him in any mind. His legs are straight as arrows, line-boned but strong. His head is long, like the "nation of the sheep herders and of hence close to the ground, pointed and a dream, but intelligence. His ears are up and erect at the tips to catch the slightest rustling of a sound. His eyes are small and black and farther apart, probably, than those of the great majority of his race. And such peculiarity as he possesses go to be described. The Scotch collie may well be described as the sweetheart of a thousand sweetheart.

"A contradiction between word and deed, between life and thought always spells disaster to be is yet to be think with our whole personality."—Lord Balfour.

## THE SUBSTITUTE

Husband (testily after going down cellar at midnight): "You might have guessed had no heart, pointer."

Wife: "Quite but I thought you had a brain, darling."

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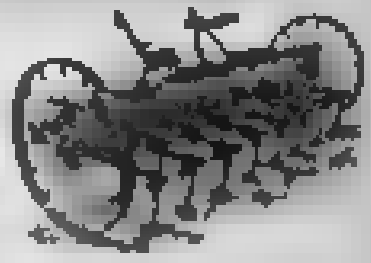

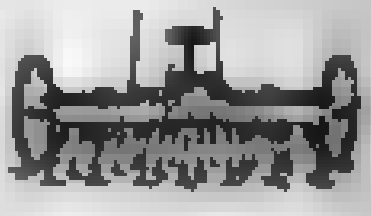

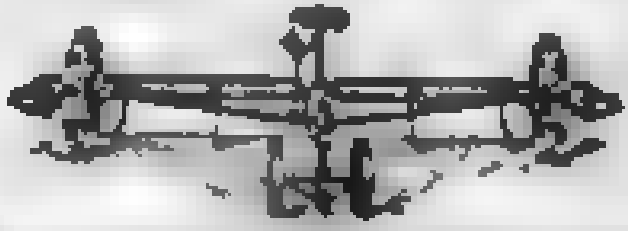

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**Assembly Finds Work for Young Men Public Works in Prospect**

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# Inquiry by Public Accounts Committee Into Gov't Purchase

**Shaw and McPherson Spatter at Member Juries' Costs in Civil Cases**

## FRIDAY'S SITTING

EDMONTON Feb 22 —On a matter of public importance' the business of the Assembly was temporarily set aside today when Mr. T. Shaw Liberal leader begged leave to offer a motion in connection with the recent purchase of thirteen lots and the buildings thereon known as the C. P. R. Lodge, that the Public Accounts Committee be convened and that Mrs. Amy F. Bunn and Mr. Bunn be subpoenaed to appear before that committee.

The Speaker ruled that the matter was not of such urgency that it could not have been presented through the usual procedure of the Assembly. Mr. Shaw appealed from the ruling. The Speaker maintained that the Liberal leader was out of order. He had not given in writing to the Speaker the necessary facts to enable him to judge as to the urgency. Premier Brownlee also attempted an explanation, but was called to order in turn. "This question is closed," said Speaker Johnson in his dry, tart tones. "Next order."

The question was not to be ruled out, however, for after the laying on the table of some returns, it was moved by Hon. G. R. McPherson, Minister of Public Works, whose Department was under fire in the matter, "that the rules of the house be suspended and the motion offered be allowed." This was carried.

### SHAW EXPLAINS REASON FOR MOTION

Mr. Shaw thanking the Minister of Public Works for his courtesy, stated that he had asked questions relating to the purchase of land some two weeks ago. He had made an investigation into the transaction. The urgency of the matter lay in the fact that Mr. and Mrs. Bunn, having received the windfall, were about to go to England in the course of the next few days. Mr. Shaw read the affidavits of value from the assessors made out to cover the transaction. He showed that eleven of the lots some of which had been purchased from the City of Edmonton, were sworn to have a value averaging $2,900 and lot Thirteen next to the C. P. R. Lodge, a value of $3,000 while lot Twelve, upon which the C. P. R. Lodge stands, had a value sworn at the sum of $10,600, with improvements valued at $30,000. There was utterly a big discrepancy here. He was to ventilate these matters that he moved the motion. The motion was seconded by the Minister of Public Works and carried.

Mr. McPherson in seconding the motion, said he would not raise any debate at this time but would wait till the meeting of the committee. He would remark however that a reputable firm had been employed, that a number of properties were involved, that to negotiate as a Government with owners of property were extremely obvious, that options had been secured and considered in the regular way, and that even the very day he had received a proposal in connection with the very property in question involving the lease of the building

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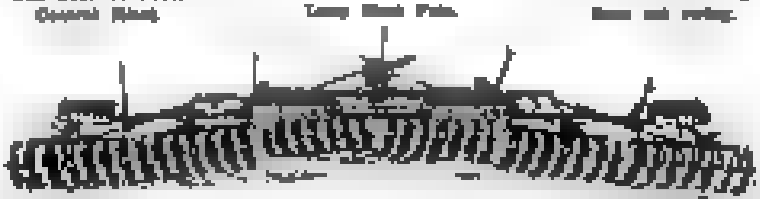

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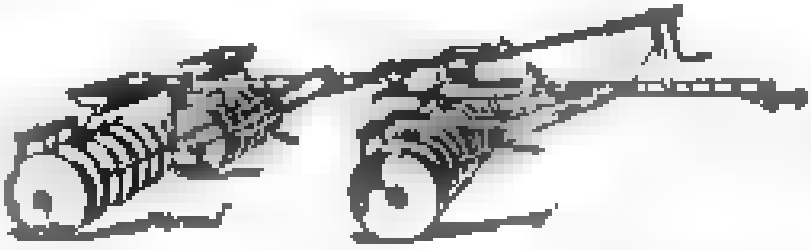

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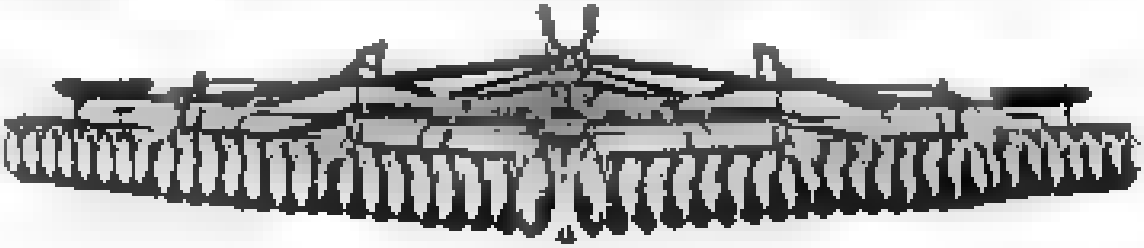

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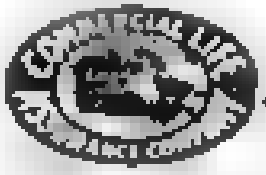

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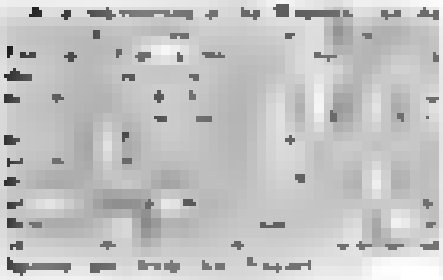

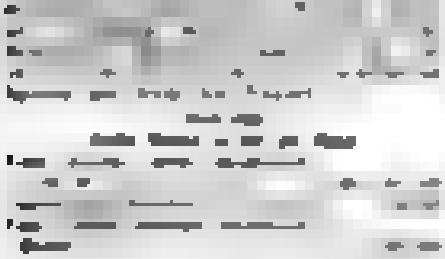

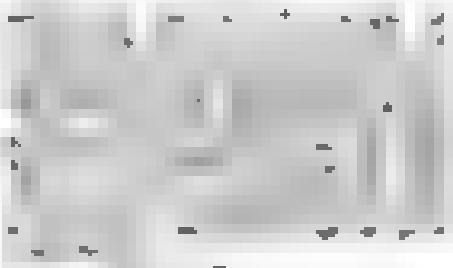

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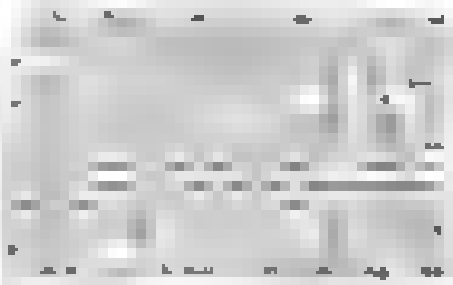

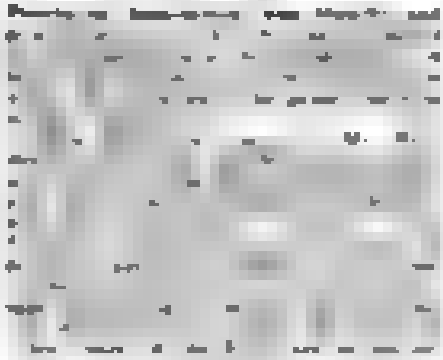

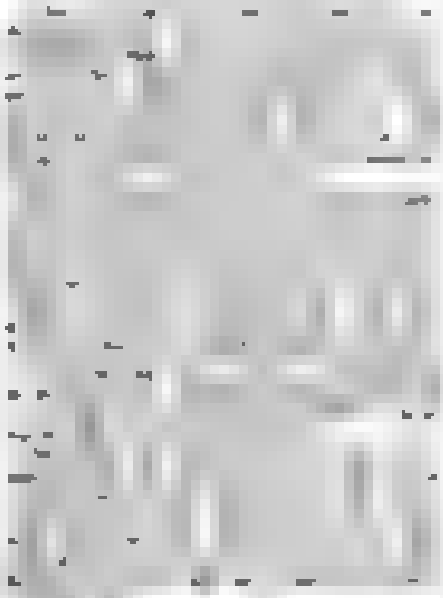

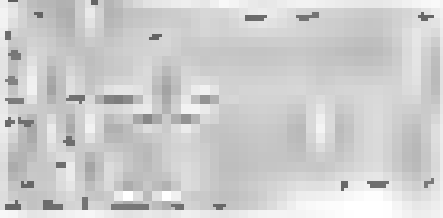

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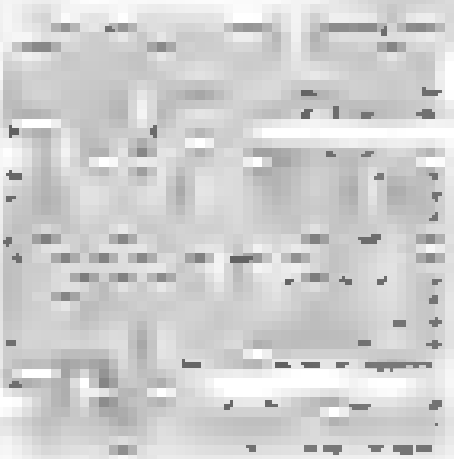

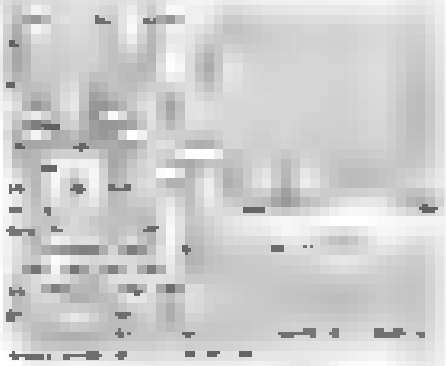

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# NEWS FROM ALBERTA DAIRY POOL HEAD OFFICE

Official Information for Members of the Alberta Co-operative Dairy Producers, Ltd.

## Gratifying Progress of Southern Pool Reported at Annual Meeting

Membership Increasing Steadily—President and Manager's Reports Review Operations—Directors Elected

### District Directors

### President's Report

### Manager's Report

**that the Dairy Pool is a success, and we earnestly hope to get the fullest support of all cream shippers.**

The individual competitive merchant is rapidly realizing that he is losing out to the big group of co-operators. The farmers in Southern Alberta are now determined to make their Pool a success. When Mr. Stoodley left here at the end of the year, we had 273 members. Since then, with no canvasser on the road, we have received in our office no less than 92 contracts from people who are anxious to support the movement. This means, in other words, that the Pool idea is very rapidly gaining the confidence of our dairy farmers. A few figures might interest you.

### Some Striking Figures

From January to September, 1928—eight months—we had 20 members who sent in over 1000 pounds of butterfat to the Pool; 15 members received a bonus from $50 to as much as $112 with an average bonus cheque for each member of $23.98.

By keeping up prices on butterfat the Pool is fulfilling its mission. Dairying is made profitable and this will help better than anything else to keep the young people and also newcomers on the farm.

In January we gave some facts about our output and sale of butter, which showed you we had an increase of over 85 per cent in our sales. What does this mean? It simply means this, that we have a large market waiting for the cream producer who is not yet sending his cream to the Pool.

### Good Local Market

No doubt we will this season reach a make of about 15-20,000 pounds of butter weekly, and it will interest you to know that even with such an increase we will still be able to sell all our butter in or around our city. This is due to the fact that the grocers realize that fresh churned Alberta butter will compete very favorably with re-worked New Zealand butter. Consequently, they choose to support the Pool creamery. To push the sale of our butter we should all co-operate to the fullest extent. You can do so by asking your merchant to stock the Pool butter not alone in the city but also in your home town. By so doing you could help so very materially in selling the butter which of course is the most important factor for a successful dairy business.

By using POOL butter only you are doing your part to decrease the import of butter from other parts of the world and also to keep the Canadian dollar in Alberta instead of supporting competitive interest in other countries.

Let us all organize and help to build up this business and show others that the farmers have now come to a stage where they can and will run their own business.

### LABOR WOMEN AND POOL BUTTER

A suggestion by a member, to a recent meeting of the Women's Section of the Labor Party, Calgary, that members should support the co-operative principle by purchasing butter made by the Dairy Pool, was received with hearty applause, and many of the women present declared their intention of using only Pool butter in future. There were about 60 members of the Women's Section present.

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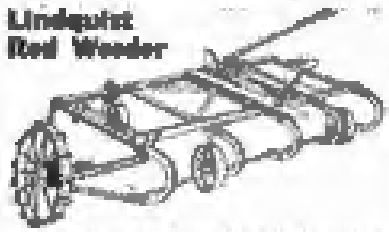

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# Is Tariff Retaliation Worth While?

### Woodsworth Thinks St. Lawrence Waterways Scheme Better Basis of Bargaining

Referring to proposed drastic increases of the United States tariff, J. S. Woodsworth, M.P., speaking in the House of Commons in the debate on the address, cited reasons why in his opinion Canada would find no effective remedy in tariff retaliation. He expressed the belief that the negotiations re the development of the St. Lawrence Waterways scheme would provide a basis for bargaining to prevent the proposed increases.

The portion of Mr. Woodsworth's speech upon this subject is quoted below:

"First, let me say a word with regard to trade and the tariff, since that is the topic which we hear most frequently discussed when we are discussing our policy with regard to the United States. The indications, as we all know, point to the raising of the American tariff. Should Canada attempt to retaliate? That is a rather important question. I would say personally that it seems to me that Canada has in her hands a better card than that—the St. Lawrence waterway. The relation between this project and the American high protection policy were referred to in rather guarded language in the letter transmitted last year by our Minister at Washington to the Secretary of State of the United States. I would think that so long as the Americans are anxious to build the St. Lawrence waterway, there is no particular reason why we should not be in a position to bargain very successfully to prevent the very substantial increase in the American tariff that is now threatened.

"But with regard to the economic principle involved, let me refer the House to a speech delivered by Sir Herbert Holt at the annual general meeting of the Royal Bank. He was dealing with the United States, but surely the economic principle which he enunciated ought to apply equally to Canada; so when he mentions Canada I have substituted the United States, and vice versa. Sir Herbert Holt's advice as an economist—I use his very words, but, 'mutatis mutandis,'—is:

**"'It would seem that those who propose such tariff changes fail to realize that checks upon foreign (e.g. U.S.) prosperity automatically check the volume of goods which can be exported by Canada, and that on the other hand continued improvement in foreign conditions (e.g. U.S.) bring corresponding increases in the volume of goods which we can export. From this viewpoint it might be considered economic statesmanship for Canada to discover means to increase our exports (e.g. to U.S.) rather than to consider measures which will constitute new trade barriers.'**

"That, as I have said, is the principle enunciated by Sir Herbert Holt, but of course he applies it to the United States. By reference to the bank's annual statement it will be seen that I have simply made the necessary changes to make the principle applicable to Canada.

"In corroboration of this economic principle, as well stated, let me quote from the tariff manifesto issued in 1926 by a large group of European manufacturers and financiers. Unless I am greatly mistaken there was a reference to the very passage in the speech of Sir Herbert Holt. The manifesto contains the following:

**"'There can be no recovery in Europe till politicians in all territories, old and new, realize that trade is not war, but a process of exchange, that in time of peace our neighbors are our customers, and that this prosperity is a condition of our own well-being. If we check their dealing, their power to pay their debts diminishes, and their power to purchase our goods is reduced. Restricted imports involve restricted exports, and no nation can afford to lose its export trade.'**

"This is preeminently true of Canada, and I hope we shall not allow ourselves to be stampeded by the threatened upward revision of the United States tariff. **You might as well tie a tourniquet around your arm to stop the flow of the arteries and then expect that the veins would not be at all affected."**

# Impressions of Recent U.F.A. Convention by a Visitor

On looking down at the U.F.A. delegates seated in the spacious centre of the Convention Hall, one is struck by the preponderance of grey heads in this representative group of farmers.

There may be good reasons for this, as grey hairs suggest wisdom and mature judgment, both of which are valuable assets to any such gathering. Then again there is the inclination of the young farmers to let "Dad" do the talking whilst they keep things hustling on the farm. This is essentially a young man's country, but it might be just as well to realize that it is equally important for the young man to keep in personal contact with his U.F.A. organization, as it is to be right on the mark with his farm operations.

When looking at things from this point of view, one realizes the great need to encourage our Juniors. If they get a good hold of our principles, and the work done by our organization, there will soon be an increase instead of decline in our membership. Let everyone of our Senior Locals make a big effort this year to assist the Juniors in every way possible. In a well settled district, where there is a U.F.A., U.F.W.A. and Junior Local, all going strong, there will be no lack of material for social enterprise, and it is the organized farmers who can make rural life more enjoyable and profitable for the younger generation.

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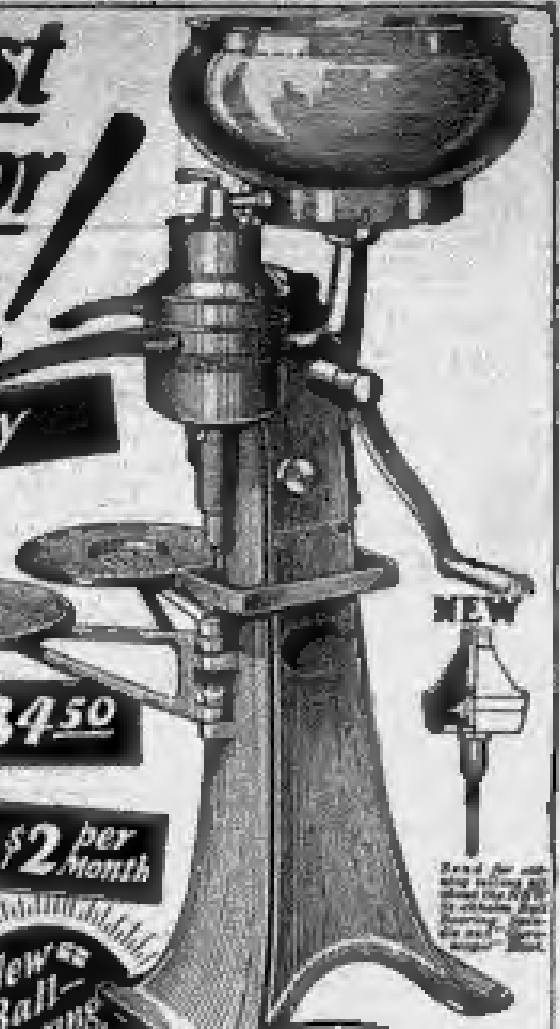


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